

A BIG DEFICIENCY BILL.

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HOW DEFICIENCIES ARE CAUSED BY CONGRESS.

—TO ABOLISH THE CENSUS OFFICE.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Washington, Jan. 20.—The Deficiency Appropriation bill, which was reported to the House from the Appropriations Committee to-day by the majority, carries a total of \$20,556,810. This amount is large, but it does not include all the appropriations which will be necessary to provide for deficiencies during the current year, and another bill is to be reported later in the session.

A comparison of the bill reported today with the Supply Civil bill, reported Wednesday, gives some interesting results. For example, the regular appropriation for public printing and binding for the current year is \$2,500,000, and the deficiency reported is \$475,000, making a total of \$2,975,000 required for this year, while the total amount recommended in the Supply Civil bill for next year is only \$2,475,000. It goes without saying that next year's deficiency will be larger than this year's. Again, the regular appropriation for expenses of United States Courts for the current year amounted to \$3,330,000, and the deficiency reported today, not including \$452,052 on account of deficiencies created in the fiscal year 1892, amounts to \$1,842,587, making the total amount required for the current fiscal year \$5,172,587.

The bill also furnishes abundant evidence that the appropriations for branches of the public service not included in the Supply Civil bill for the current year were wholly inadequate. For example, the regular appropriation for inland mail transportation by rail, for the current year, amounts to \$2,330,000, and the deficiency reported today amounts to \$2,330,000. The deficiency from this account, in the bill reported today, amounts to \$2,330,000. It is doubtful, however, whether even this evidence will cause the Postoffice Committee to deal more sensibly with the subject of appropriations for the postal service than it did last year.

The bill reported today provides that the Census Office shall be abolished on and after December 31, 1893, when the undischarged and uncollected work is to be transferred to the office of the secretary of the interior and completed under his direction. The items which make up the total of the bill reported today are as follows by departments: State Department, \$1,000,000; Treasury Department, \$1,000,000; War Department, \$2,000,000; Navy Department, \$2,000,000; Interior Department, \$2,000,000; Pension Department, \$1,000,000; of which the sum of \$1,000,000 is for Army and Navy Pensions; Civil Service Commission, \$2,000,000; Postoffice Department, \$1,000,000; Department of Agriculture, \$2,000,000; Department of Justice, \$2,000,000; Public Printing, \$475,000; House of Representatives, \$2,000,000.

A SPECIAL ORDER FOR THE ANDREW BILL.

THE HOUSE BANKING COMMITTEE VOTES TO ASK THE RULES COMMITTEE FOR ONE.

Washington, Jan. 20 (Special).—The House Committee on Banking and Currency to-day agreed by a 10-9 vote to ask the Committee on Rules to make the Andrew bill a special order for consideration. An effort will be made to have the order carried two days. There is no doubt that the Committee on Rules will agree to a special order for one or two days, although the matter was not considered in the conference of the Democratic members of the committee this afternoon, which lasted several hours, and was devoted to a discussion of Mr. Burrows's Whiskey Trust resolution and Colonel Feltner's Panama resolution. The authors of both resolutions were heard in support of them, but it is understood that the Democratic members of the committee arrived at no conclusion in regard to either.

So far as the Andrew bill is concerned, there is no special change in the prospects of its passage, and its friends still try to content themselves by saying that it will pass if it can be brought to a vote. In order to effect that object they would be willing to surrender the provisions which affect National Banks, but they will not agree to the restoration of the National Bank law in order to obtain the repeal of the Bullion Purchase act of the last Congress. The Democratic opponents of the Andrew bill show no sign of yielding, so far as can be ascertained.

CHANCES OF THE ANTI-OPTION BILL.

A VOTE WILL PROBABLY BE TAKEN ON IT MONDAY OR TUESDAY.

Washington, Jan. 20.—It can be said definitely that there will be no vote on the Anti-Option bill before next week, and possibly not before Tuesday morning. The Senate's action in the afternoon, which was an other postponement; and Mr. Washburn, in charge of the bill, said afterward that he would not ask for a vote to-morrow, but would give another day to debate. When Monday comes, however, he will ask that the Senate remain in session until the vote is taken, although, if the debate holds out so that there are senators desirous of speaking who have not been able to do so, it is likely that final action may be postponed until Tuesday.

The opponents of the bill will not indulge in any dilatory tactics. One of the leaders of the opposition said this morning that they would not leave the field of legitimate opposition. All the opposition desired, said this Senator, was that the fullest possible light should be thrown on the bill, and the members should be permitted to vote after having received all the information possible in regard to the bill. When Tuesday comes, no further speeches will be made, and the opponents will meet the issue, defeat the bill if they can, and abide by the result. It is apparent, however, that they do not hope strongly for success.

A REPORT ON THE SWEATING SYSTEM.

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MANUFACTURES SUBMITS ITS RESULTS.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The House Committee on Manufactures to-day submitted to the House the committee's report on the "sweating system" of tenement house labor. The report was prepared by Mr. Warner, of New York, chairman of the subcommittee. It is voluminous, embracing all the testimony made by the committee, and a careful analysis of the various suggestions that have been made looking to a correction or amelioration of the great evils resulting from the workings of the sweating system. The committee inclines favorably to the use of tags on all articles of clothing by which they can be traced to the place of manufacture, the prohibition of interstate commerce in such goods as are made under unhealthy conditions, and the definition of such conditions.

But as it is only by further careful consideration of the details of any legislation proposed that a bill can be intelligently drafted to meet the requirements, the committee, in view of the early expiration of Congress, has not waited to do this, but simply submits its report, with a recommendation that such legislation be had by Congress at its next session.

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BUSINESS IN THE HOUSE.

Washington, Jan. 20.—In the House this morning Mr. Dunphy asked consent for the consideration of a joint resolution authorizing the Postmaster-General to obtain additional premises in New York City for the accommodation of the Postoffice; but Mr. Watson came forward as an objector, and the matter was not given.

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TO REPEAL THE FEDERAL ELECTION LAWS.

Washington, Jan. 20.—In a report made by Mr. De Armond in the House to-day the Committee on Election of President, etc., recommends the passage of the bill repealing the statutes concerning Federal supervision of elections. The committee says: "Under the Constitution, when any one claims a seat in either house, that house and that house alone has the right and power to pass upon and determine the matter finally and conclusively. . . . The people of the several States are steadily improving their election machinery. They are adopting and perfecting methods for insuring free, fair elections."

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FOR FREQUENT REDEMPTION OF NOTES.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The House Committee on Banking and Currency to-day ordered a favorable report on a bill repealing the Federal Reserve act, for the frequent redemption and exchange of Treasury and National bank notes for new ones. This is the bill Mr. Johnson introduced as the result of an investigation which showed that solid greenbacks were good breeding places for disease germs. The committee also

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agreed to report favorably Chairman Bacon's bill to make it a criminal act to omit an entry of any kind from the books of a National Bank. The present law, by inadvertence, contains no criminal clause.

THE STUMP BILL ACCEPTED.

RESULT OF TAMMANY OPPOSITION TO THE SENATE QUARANTINE MEASURE.

THERE IS STILL GRAVE DANGER THAT THE LEGISLATION MAY FAIL.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Washington, Jan. 20.—The friends of quarantine legislation in the House of Representatives are rather more hopeful that something will be accomplished than they were at the hour of adjournment yesterday, but it is apparent to every careful observer that there is still grave danger of a failure. After reported consultations, the Tammany Representatives who could be found, with the exception of Ames Cummings, refused to be willing to support or at least not to oppose the bill in the new form which it has been caused to take by their threats. In brief, Mr. Rayner and his colleagues of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, who were willing to accept without change the bill passed by the Senate, have agreed to adopt an amendment of seven days, at the point of departure, provided it be an amendment which would be to amend the bill in such a way as to make it more effective.

Whether Dr. Jenkins will ratify and approve the action of the Tammany Representatives who have so far refused to support the measure which seems to guard and protect all his official powers and prerogatives and to prevent the loss of any spots of office by Tammany, remains to be seen. In any case the Tammany men have gained one important advantage, and that is, they have probably so far succeeded in preventing Mr. Rayner that he will refrain from exposing and denouncing, as he threatened yesterday to do, the unjustifiable interference of "Boss" Croker's brother-in-law in the business of Chicago.

Some men are rather familiar with the methods of Tammany legislators and Tammany "bosses," who are still most powerful, are inclined still to the opinion that the prospects of quarantine legislation have not been greatly improved by the concessions and promises made today. They seem to believe that the opposition to the measure, however it may be veiled, will be as deadly as if it were open and undisguised; and they may not be wholly mistaken in this opinion. The Tammany leaders, of course, know that if the amendments upon which they insist should be adopted by the House and disagreed to by the Senate the bill would be sent to a committee of conference, which might eliminate them altogether; and that it would be much more difficult to effect a conference report than it would be to prevent the passage of the bill in the first instance. This matter was suggested and strongly urged by one of the opponents of the measure to-day as a reason why it should not be allowed to pass the House at all.

It is not to be presumed that the Tammany Representatives desire to do so, but it is apparent that the attitude in which they appear to be willing to place themselves is equivalent to a declaration that they are willing to expose the country to the risk of a cholera epidemic in order to prevent the risk of a cholera epidemic to which they belong to the risk of a cholera epidemic of the official patronage which it now enjoys.

It is only fair to say that there is considerable opposition to the bill in the House among Democratic Representatives from other States besides New York, and it is barely possible that this opposition may be strong enough to prevent the bill from being passed. It is not to be supposed, however, that the Tammany men will consent to their own ruin. It is not to be supposed, however, that the Tammany men will consent to their own ruin. It is not to be supposed, however, that the Tammany men will consent to their own ruin.

THE CHINESE EXCLUSION ACT.

OPINIONS OF CONGRESSMEN ON THE REPORTED DECISION OF ITS UNCONSTITUTIONALITY.

Washington, Jan. 20.—A dispatch from Duluth, Minn., to the effect that a United States district judge had held the Chinese Exclusion act to be unconstitutional, and that the act was a violation of the Constitution which guarantees to every citizen the right of trial by jury, has attracted the attention of members of Congress, but does not appear to have caused any alarm among the advocates of the law. Senator Doleph said that he did not believe any such decision, if it had been given, would stand, for it was based upon the treatment of Chinese as citizens of the United States, which was, he believed, a violent presumption on the part of the Court. He did not believe that the act would be repealed by Congress in any respect.

Senator Fessenden said that if there was anything wrong with the law the people of the Pacific States and their representatives in Congress would see to it that the defect was remedied. Mr. Feltner was of the same opinion, but added that unless the Chinese were excluded from the Western States there would be a condition which would cast the entire troubles of the East into the shade. It was a serious matter with the people of the West, and it was a law which was insufficient to protect the people of the West, and it was a law which was insufficient to protect the people of the West.

THE NEW-YORK POSTOFFICE RESOLUTION.

Washington, Jan. 20 (Special).—Representative "Tom" Watson, of Georgia, gave another exhibition of his statesmanlike traits today when he objected to the consideration of the joint resolution authorizing the Postmaster-General to secure additional premises in the city of New York. Mr. Watson's motion is that additional postal facilities should be provided for his district before anything further is done for the New York postoffice, which handles a large proportion of the mails for and from the entire country. Mr. Dunphy, who has the joint resolution in charge, will call it up in the first morning session next week. He said to-day that the early passage of the resolution would be a matter of economy, because the Postoffice Department has the refusal, for a limited time, of the Industrial Building alongside the railway station, at the annual rental of \$22,000, which is much less than will be demanded if the option shall expire before Congress takes action.

THE CITY OF MACON ASHORE FOR AWHILE.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 20.—The steamer City of Macoon, from Boston for Savannah, went ashore this forenoon on the east end of Spanish Wharf, but later came off all right and proceeded. Vessels could not reach her and the extent of damage cannot be given until the arrival at a port.

HE WAS NEARLY FROZEN TO DEATH.

Andrew Maize, a farmer living on the mountain back of Plainfield, N. J., was found by a traveler yesterday morning crawling upon his elbows and knees through the drifted snow in the stilling road. He was fainting with agony and nearly frozen to death. Maize lived alone in the mountains. When he was home on Thursday night he found that he had lost his legs and could not get into his severely fastened house. He slept in the barn and during the night the intense cold froze his legs, feet and hands, and when morning came he was nearly helpless. His hands and feet are so badly frozen that they will undoubtedly have to be amputated.

FEARS OF AN ICE GORGE ON THE POTOMAC.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The condition of the Potomac River at the National Capital occasions considerable alarm. Navigation is entirely suspended; the Norfolk steamer, the last to force a passage through the ice, tied up a few days ago. Ice has formed to an unprecedented thickness, and as the bluffs of the upper Potomac are heavily coated with snow it is feared that a sudden thaw will break up the drift ice, against the long wall of the city. The city officials believe it possible Congress today appropriated \$5,000 to break up the ice and prevent a gorge.

THE STORM IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

Charleston, S. C., Jan. 20.—Charleston is completely cut off to-day from all telegraphic communication north and west. The only connections possible are with Savannah and Jacksonville. The Western Union wires are down from Florence to Charleston, 108 miles, and for miles along the South Carolina coast. The Postal Telegraph

MILD WINTER WEATHER.

THE PROMISED COLD WAVE STILL HOLDS.

LITTLE ICE IN THE RIVERS AND BAY-BUOYS REPLACED—SOME PROGRESS IN STREET-CLEANING WORK.

New-York had another mild day yesterday. The weather seemed cold in the early morning, but the bright sun shone all day and made the air pleasant and the weather fit to be out of doors in. The thermometer at the weather bureau averaged from 20 to 23 degrees above zero all day, and the prospect is that the temperature will be about the same today. There is a prospect of snow in the afternoon, however, and the sleighing will have to be postponed. It is not so cold as it was yesterday, but the bright sun shone all day and made the air pleasant and the weather fit to be out of doors in. The thermometer at the weather bureau averaged from 20 to 23 degrees above zero all day, and the prospect is that the temperature will be about the same today. There is a prospect of snow in the afternoon, however, and the sleighing will have to be postponed. It is not so cold as it was yesterday, but the bright sun shone all day and made the air pleasant and the weather fit to be out of doors in. 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